

A Special Meeting of the Troy Library Board was held on Thursday, October 2, 2008, at the Library's conference. Kul Gauri, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Kul Gauri

Lynne Gregory

Nancy Wheeler

Audre Zembrzuski

Cathleen Russ, Library Director

Excused: Belinda Shelton Duggan, Joel Xu

Guests: Lori Grigg Bluhm, City Attorney

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given

**Resolution #LB-2008-10-01**

Moved by Gregory

Seconded by Wheeler

**RESOLVED, That the agenda be approved.**

**Yes: 4—Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski**

**No: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**PUBLIC COMMENT—none**

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Gregory informed the LAB that Mary Elizabeth Harper, director of Romeo District Library, has been offered the SLC Director position.

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S COMMENTS—none**

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Review of Library Advisory Board Reference Manual—Lori Grigg Bluhm

The City Attorney presented the LAB Reference Manual and informed the LAB that all city boards and commissions would be receiving manuals specific to their board or commission. Ms. Bluhm went through the material in the book tab by tab, and let the LAB know that documents and information can be added to the manual as necessary.

Suggested items for inclusion: Current schedule of fines and fees; a copy of the Patriot Act policy.

Discussion over whether the American Library Association's Bill of Rights/stance on Censorship should be included. Russ suggested that the LAB members review the collection development policy and the ALA information, which she will send, before including this information in the manual. The collection development policy could also be updated to reflect the ALA philosophy, if the board decided it was appropriate.

Russ asked the LAB to review the entire manual and let her know if there is other information that should be included.

Ms. Bluhm discussed specifically the powers of the Library Advisory Board, one of the tabs in the reference manual. The LAB is an advisory board, and is not involved in the day to day operations of the library, such as hiring and firing staff, overseeing the library's budget, or approving expenditures. The LAB makes recommendations to city council and/or to the city manager. These recommendations are to be made through the Library Director, who is the administrator of the library. Proper procedure on how to do that was discussed.

#### **B. Discussion of Possible Usage of Café Space**

Russ presented her recommendation regarding use of the space formerly occupied by Steamers Café, and her rationale for making this recommendation. Discussion ensued. While some members of the LAB agree conceptually with this recommendation, they would like to see a layout of the space before making a final decision. Russ will have an outline of the space available at the October board meeting.

#### **Resolution #LB-2008-10-02**

Moved by Zembrzuski

Seconded by Wheeler

**RESOLVED, That the Library Advisory Board table making a decision as far as the recommendation for the café space until the October board meeting.**

**Yes: 4—Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski**

**No: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **Adjournment**

The Library Board meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

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Kul Gauri  
Chairman

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Cathleen Russ  
Recording Secretary